

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY MBABANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1317

INFO AMCONSUL DURBAN

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, CGEN, WZ

SUBJECT: AMBULANCE FOR KING SOBHUZA

REF: STATE 49024

1. LATEST IN SERIES OF UNANNOUNCED VISITS TO EMBASSY IN CONNECTION WITH AMBULANCE FOR KING SOBHUZA WAS CALL ON CHARGE MARCH 10 BY MARTIN MDINISO, KING'S PRIVATE SECRETARY, WHO CAME TO GET CLARIFICATION ON ONE POINT FOR KING. ACCORDING MDINISO, KING WANTS TO KNOW FROM MOUNT ZION CHURCH WHETHER AMBULANCE IS DONATION FOR HIM OR DONATION FOR REVEREND DR. GILBERT. WHEN EMBASSY WAS UNABLE GIVE HUNDRED PERCENT CERTAIN RESPONSE ON BASIS OF REFTTEL, CHARGE AGREED FORWARD QUERY TO DEPARTMENT FOR ANSWER BY MRS. ANNIE BELLE HAGLER. MDINISO SAID THAT PRIME MINISTER WAS RESUMING INVESTIGATION OF AMBULANCE'S ORIGINS AND THAT MRS. HAGLER'S RESPONSE WOULD BE MOST USEFUL IF RECEIVED MBABANE BY MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 14. EMBASSY WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR DEPARTMENT'S ASSISTANCE.

2. FYI, MDINISO SAID GOS HAD DECIDED ON MARCH 7 TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TAKING DELIVERY OF AMBULANCE IN DURBAN. HE ADDED THAT KING HAS GIVEN ORDERS THAT AMBULANCE IS TO BE GARAGED IN SWAZILAND AND NOT  
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OPERATED UNTIL HE SATISFIED ON ETHICAL ASPECTS OF WHOLE ISSUE.

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